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## WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO EMBEZZLING OVER \$200,000 FROM TRACY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced that DIANE B. GLAZIER, 45, of Tracy, California, pleaded guilty today before United States District Judge Edward J. Garcia in federal court in Sacramento to mail fraud and computer fraud in connection with the embezzlement of over \$200,000 from the Tracy Hospital Foundation, a charitable foundation which funds health, safety and nutrition programs in the Tracy area.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, together with investigators with the San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Benjamin B. Wagner, who is prosecuting the case, GLAZIER admitted in her plea that, while working as the staff accountant and executive assistant for the Tracy Hospital Foundation between 2002 and late 2005, GLAZIER used American Express credit cards intended for official Foundation expenses to make numerous personal expenditures. The unauthorized purchases included computers, televisions and other electronics, furniture, cable service, groceries, Las Vegas vacations for herself and family members, restaurant meals, hotel rooms and rental cars in several states. GLAZIER admitted that she concealed the scheme through various means, including by making false entries in Tracy Hospital Foundation books and records to make it appear that the funds used to make large payments to American Express had been used for legitimate charitable grants by the Foundation.

Sentencing before Judge Garcia is scheduled for July 13, 2007. GLAZIER faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison on the mail fraud charge, and a maximum of five years in prison on the computer fraud charge. Each count also carries a maximum fine of \$250,000. However, the actual sentence will be determined at the discretion of the court after consideration of the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of variables, and any applicable statutory sentencing factors.